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Meets the Second Wednesday of Every Month

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Vol. 33 No. 1 744th MEETING 208 S. LA SALLE ST. 8:00 P.M. Jan. 14, 1981

WE NOW MEET AT 208 SOUTH LA SALLE STREET

Richard Hartzog receives dual honor



Richard Hartzog was elected president of the Chicago Coin Club, one of the oldest in the nation, and was named winner of the club's Richard McP. Cabeen award for his overall excellence of monthly exhibits, the second time he has won this coveted honor.

Hartzog was named at the highlight of the club's year, its 1980 awards banquet at Como Inn, held Dec. 10, with a dinner preceded by a cocktail hour hosted by Ed Milas, of the Rare Coin Company of America.

Hartzog, who has been a member of the club six years, collector of tokens and medals for over 22 years, is self-employed with World Exonumia, a token-medal mail order business. He won the Cabeen award last year for the first time.

To serve with him will be Barbara Goldfreed, also a six-year club member, a collector of American coins with an emphasis on silver dollars for the past 14 years. Her responsibility will be to invite and schedule monthly program speakers.

Second vice president is Richard Sheppard, member of the club for three years, and collector of U.S. coins for 18 years.

Directors are Charles J. Ryant, a 40-year club member, past president, U.S. coin collector for half a century, and a club committee member many times over; William Holm, a 20-year veteran member, a specialist in ancient Roman coinage, and a collector for 50 years; Carl F. Wolf, a two-year member, last year's secretary-treasurer; 1980 second place Cabeen award winner, and student of ancient Greek coinage. He currently serves as secretary.

Installation ceremonies were conducted by Frank Zaylik, a long-time member of the club.

Stanley Kruswicki, Richard Sheppard and Chester Poderski were members of the nominating committee.

"The Chicago Coin Club has firmly held to the belief that the exhibits presented at monthly meetings are the lifeblood of a coin club, and an award should be presented to any member who consistently presents quality exhibits throughout the year," Wolf said as he described the Richard McP. Cabeen award and its recipients.

"Richard Hartzog, the 1980 first place winner, brought at least one exhibit to every meeting in 1980; his exhibits always showed a great deal of knowledge, research and perspective," Wolf said. "Some of his 1980 exhibits were Civil War dog tags, Henri J. Ripstra medals, Hard Times tokens and a triple counterstamp over a Large cent."

Previous first place winners were Glenn B. Smedley, William Pettit, Gerda Birkholz and Harry X Boosel.

Second place winners for 1980 were Boosel, Harry Flower and Carl Wolf. Third place was won by Chester Poderski.

"It was over 10 years ago when Richard McP. Cabeen, the editor of the Chicago Tribune coin column, made a sizeable contribution to the Chicago Coin Club," Wolf explained.

"Shortly thereafter, the Chicago Coin Club announced the award to be named for him to be given each year to the member whose overall month-

ly exhibits are judged best," he continued.

At each meeting exhibits are evaluated on a point basis, considering the exhibit itself, and the presentation given by the member, with emphasis placed on research.

Frank Zaylik, chairman of the program, is the official club scorekeeper, and a member of the annual awards committee chaired by Charles J. Ryant.

During the awards banquet Richard Sheppard was presented with an American Nu-

mismatic Association educational certificate for his presentation, "Silver Dollars," at the November meeting.

Bill Grundy is a new junior member of the club. Guests with the members at the banquet were Barbara Sheppard, Jennie Sochon, Bill Wogan, Mrs. V. Murray, Olga Kruswicki, Mrs. H. Wicklund, Rosemarie Hoelzer, Michael Gasparro, Sadelle Koppel, Minnette Odesser, Bob Hopkins and Jim McNamara.

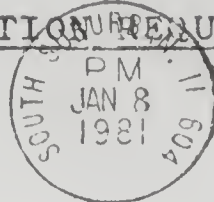
COIN WORLD



New officers of the Chicago Coin Club are: Front row (L-R) Barbara Goldfreed, Richard Hartzog, Richard Sheppard. Back row (L-R) Charles Ryant, William Holm, Carl Wolf.

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F E B R U A R Y

2 -- Tillie Boosel
2 -- Phyllis Pettit
11 -- Russell E. Porter
16 -- Volker E. Dube
20 -- Bernard Marshfield
21 -- William o. Boss
22 -- Adaline Bebee
25 -- "Mr. Doubloon"
Walter R. Perschke

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REMEMBER: Our N E W Meeting Place is 208 South LaSalle Street

Minutes of December 10, 1980

Following dinner at the Como Inn, the 743rd meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was called to order by President Richard Hartzog at 8:45 PM with members and 12 Guests present. Guests were: Barbara Sheppard, Jennie Sochon, Bill Wogan, Mrs. V. Murray, Olga Kruswicki, Mrs. J. Wicklund, Rosemarie Hoelzer, Michael Gasparro, Jr., Sadelle Koppel, Minnette Odesser, Bob Hopkins and Jim McNamara. A brief 11 month Treasurer's Report was read.

Bill Grundy's application for Junior Membership received second reading and he was accepted into the Club. Roy Grundy's application received first reading. Richard Sheppard received an ANA Educational Award for his talk before the Club at our November meeting. The subject of his talk was Silver Dollars.

The three members of the Nominating Committee, Stanley Kruswicki, Richard Sheppard and Chester Poderski, submitted their nominations of Officers. They were: President: Richard Hartzog; First Vice President: Barbara Goldfreed; Second Vice President: Richard Sheppard; and Directors: William Holz, Charles Ryant and Carl Wolf. A motion was made and passed that a unanimous ballot be cast. Frank Zaylick proformed the formal installation of Officers. It was announced that Bill Pettit will be speaker of the month at our March meeting which will be held Saturday evening, March 14, at the Hyatt Regency Chicago, in conjunction with the Chicago International Coin Fair.

Charles J. Ryant, Chairman of the Awards Committee, presented 1980 Program Speaker Plaques, Exhibitor Plaques and the Richard W. Cabeen Award Plaques. The winners of the Richard W. Cabeen Award were: First place: Richard Hartzog; Second Place: Harry A. Boosel, Harry Flower & Carl Wolf; Third Place: Chester Poderski.

A special thank you was given to Harry & Tillie Boosel for organizing this year's banquet and to the ladies of RARCCA for hosting the cocktail hour before dinner. A round of applause followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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Vol. 33 No. 2

745th MEETING

208 S. LA SALLE ST.

8:00 P.M.

Feb. 11, 1981

Aussies invite Pearlman



Chicago broadcaster and numismatic writer Donn Pearlman has been invited to address the Numismatic Symposium '81, to be held in Sydney, Australia on Saturday, March 7.

Pearlman, a regional representative of the American Numismatic Association, who is active in various Chicago-area and nationwide coin clubs, will discuss how to be a responsible mail-order buyer of coins and currency in his planned, humorous slide show talk, "BU or BS."

COIN WORLD

The Numismatic Symposium '81 is sponsored by the Rural Bank of New South Wales, and is coordinated by Sydney professional numismatist M. R. "Bob" Roberts. A three-day bourse and auction will be conducted in conjunction with the symposium weekend at the Menzies hotel in Sydney, March 6 to 8.

Pearlman also is publicity and educational coordinator for the sixth annual Chicago International Coin Fair, to be held March 13 to 15 at the Hyatt Regency hotel in Chicago.



Donn Pearlman

FREE

Leah Klein has a number of back issues of Bower & Ruddy, "RARE COIN REVIEW" (most recent 1975) which are yours FREE for the asking.

If interested, give Leah a call at (312) 939-2883, or drop us a line at the CCC Box 2301, Chicago, IL 60690.

FEBRUARY

MEETING

Our 1st V-P Barbara Goldfreed reports that the speaker for our February meeting will be ANN DIILLION from the Federal Bank of Chicago. She will show the film "THE FED, YOUR BANK" which is the story of paper money.

"You aint seen nuttin till you've seen our new super plush meeting room"

Don't forget...

Our March meeting will be held on S A T U R D A Y evening, March 14 at the Hyatt Regency Chicago, in conjunction with the Chicago International Coin Fair. Our very own past president Bill Pettit is to be the featured speaker.

SPECIAL

Edward C. Rochette, Exec Vice-Pres
American Numismatic Association
P.O. Box 2366
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80901

Dear Sir:

I, ANA Member # _____, nominate
Harry X Boosel for ANA Governor.

*****It fits on a postal card*****

SIGN AND MAIL BEFORE MARCH 1, 1981

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- 4 -- Edgar W. Keller
- 4 -- Jules L. Marshfield
- 7 -- James R. Budd
- 7 -- Bruno Rzepka
- 8 -- Louis Bergmann
- 10 -- A. P. Oberbillig
- 16 -- Gregory Gaskill
- 19 -- Dr. James I. Lore
- 19 -- Charles J. Ricard
- 20 -- Sidney Bick
- 25 -- D. B. Silberman, Jr
- 29 -- Arthur C. Allen

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Minutes of January 14, 1981

The 744th meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was called to order by President Richard Hartzog at 8 PM with members and 5 guests present. Guests were: Roy Grundy, David Ritchie, Joel Reznick, Eileen Mongeau and Margaret Gobbick. The Treasurer's Report and the Minutes of the December meeting were approved as read.

Roy Grundy's application for membership received second reading. A motion was made and passed that he be accepted as a member. The applications of David Ritchie and Joel Reznick received first reading.

Four motions were made and passed. They were: 1. That the Chicago Coin Club express to the American Numismatic Association (ANA) that we are interested in sponsoring the 1991 ANA Annual Convention. Harry X Boosel volunteered to deliver this message at the next Board of Governor's Meeting. 2. That the Chicago Coin Club request the Central States Numismatic Society to keep open the location of their 1990 and 1992 Annual Show with the probability that the Chicago Coin Club may host the show on one of these dates. President Richard Hartzog volunteered to deliver this request at the next USNS meeting. 3. That the President appoint a committee to approach the official 1992 World's Fair Committee regarding the sponsorship of a World's Fair Token or Medal. President Richard Hartzog appointed Charles J. Ryant and Carl Wolf to the committee. 4. The Chicago Coin Club submit to the ANA the nomination of Harry X Boosel to the Governorship of seat number 7 for the 1981 ANA Election.

Exhibitors of the evening were: William Baker: The Widow's Tite; Harry X Boosel: 3 Minor Coin of the World, minted in 1873; Harry Flower: 2 Pattern Coins and a Franklin Mint Mini-Coin that had been carried to the moon; Barbara Goldfreed: A Counterfeit Mint Errored Nickel; Richard Hartzog: A Victor E. Brenner 1916 Silver Medal; Chester Podorski: A Collage of Paper Money in a Picture Frame; Charles J. Ryant: 2 1960 Mint Sets; Carl Wolf: 4 Civil War Tokens, a Robo Nickel and a Liberty Nickel; Joel Reznick: 19 Encased Coins and a Mint Errored Kennedy Half Dollar

Charles J. Ryant was the winner of a numismatic quiz given by Harry Flower.

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Vol. 33 No. 3 746th MEETING HYATT REGENCY CH'GO 8:00 P.M. March 14, 1981

Don't forget...

This month we meet on SATURDAY March 14th

WHERE: Hyatt Regency Chicago
151 East Wacker Drive
Picasso Room - West Tower

TIME: 8:00 P.M.

PROGRAM: Bill Pettit's topic will be
PRETENDERS TO THE FRENCH THRONE



An Invitation

The Time:

April 8, 1981

The Place:

**NO CONFERENCE
SITE QUITE LIKE**

208 South LaSalle Street



The Event:

U.S. Rare-Coin Market

SPEAKER: CCC's own WALTER R. PERSCHKE,
alias "Mr. DOUBLOON"



With the wave of a pen, Walter Perschke successfully goes after a Brasher doubloon to the tune of \$430,000.

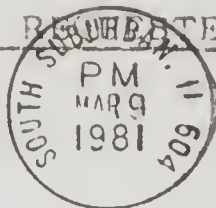
Rumored April Meeting
DOOR PRIZE



The Brasher Doubloon

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- 11 -- Leif Ronning
- 16 -- Rolf Knauz
- 26 -- Arlie Slabaugh
- 30 -- J. Thomas Nolan

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REMEMBER: This month we meet on S A T U R D A Y at the HYATT REGENCY CHICAGO

The 745th meeting of the CCC was called to order by President Richard Hartzog at 8:10 PM with members and 5 guests present. Guests were: Ann Dillon, David Kress, David Marshall, Bette Ritchie, and Minnette Odesser. The Treasurer's Report and the Minutes of the January meeting were approved as read.

The applications of Joel Reznick and David Ritchie received second reading. A motion was made and passed that they be accepted as members. A letter was read from Donn Pearlman, Publicity and Educational Co-Ordinator of the CIOF, confirming that the Picasso Room (on the Concourse Level in the West Tower) of the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 151 East Wacker Drive, is being held in reservation for the Chicago Coin Club at 8 PM, Saturday March 14.

Exhibitors were: HARRY FLOWER: 16 medals and tokens; BARBARA GOLDFREED: David Bowers' book ADVENTURES WITH RARE COINS; RICHARD HARTZOG: 3 GAR badges; BEN ODESSER: token from Providence, RI; BEATRICE STUBBS: 5 foreign banknotes and 2 books; CARL WOLF: 1 dollar California Gold, counterfeit; DAVID RITCHIE: coins and paper money from Japan and military payment certificates; FRANK ZAYLIK: 1 & 2 Federal Reserve Notes from each Federal Reserve Bank and 4 misc. banknotes.

The Featured Speaker of the evening was Ann Dillon from the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. Ms. Dillon presented the film: THE FED: OUR CENTRAL BANK.

Minutes of February 11, 1981

Below is a write-up regarding National Coin Week, April 19-25: (Taken from the guidelines sent from ANA)

1981 THEME-- "Coins: An enduring Reflection of Man"

From the icons of Byzantium and the treasure troves of sunken ships to the necklaces of San Blas and the piggy banks of America, the fears and dreams of Man have been reflected throughout history in his money and the way he perceives its value. Concern with money is high these days, and National Coin Week gives us an opportunity to explore with the non-collecting public our mutual curiosity about the role currency has played in civilizations of the past and what its relationship is to inflation.

Letters have been sent to Governor Thompson and Mayor Byrne calling upon them to proclaim April 19-25 as National Coin Week in Illinois and Chicago. Certain members are inquiring at downtown banks seeking permission for Club members to set up exhibits during National Coin Week. Anyone interested should contact the Secretary.

SUPPLEMENT: Membership number 912, Harvey Goldfreed, was drawn for a one year free membership and Mr. Goldfreed was present to win. Number 730, Marjorie Baker, was also drawn but she was not present to win.

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Vol. 33 No. 4

747th MEETING

208 South LaSalle

8:00 P.M.

April 8, 1981



The APRIL MEETING of the Chicago Coin Club will have as Featured Speaker, Walter "Bud" Perschke, who according to Louis Rukeyser of 'Wall Street Week' is 'one of the world's leading experts on both numismatic and bullion coins.' As president of Numisco Inc. Mr. Perschke heads one of the nation's leading coin brokerages. He publishes two advisory services: THE NUMISCO LETTER and the INDEPENDENT SPECULATOR. Mr. Perschke has been a popular speaker at investment seminars around the world and much of his advice has been quoted by THE WALLSTREET JOURNAL, TIME, NEWSWEEK, MONEY MAGAZINE, THE JOURNAL OF COMMERCE, and U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT.

Perschke's CCC TALK will be "FORECAST FOR THE PRECIOUS METALS"



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the American Numismatic Association, the Chicago Coin Club and many coin clubs across the nation will observe COIN WEEK April 19 through April 25; and

WHEREAS, during this set aside period, the Chicago Coin Club and member clubs of the American Numismatic Association will compete for awards by exhibits directed to the non-collecting public in many public buildings; and

WHEREAS, it has been requested by the Chicago Coin Club that the week of April 19 through April 25 be designated as COIN WEEK throughout the City of Chicago, and it is deemed fitting and proper that this request be fulfilled:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane M. Byrne, Mayor of the City of Chicago, do hereby proclaim the week of April 19-25, 1981, to be COIN WEEK IN CHICAGO and request the appropriate observance.

Dated this 19th day of March, 1981.

Jane M. Byrne

Mayor

JANE M. BYRNE
MAYOR

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CLUB BIRTHDAYS

M A Y

2 -- Donn Pearlman
10 -- James F. Sunderland
10 -- Martin Vink
13 -- William B. Higginbotham
25 -- Walter H. White
30 -- Charles F. Wolf

The 746th meeting of the CCC was held in the Picasso Room of the Hyatt Regency Hotel in conjunction with the Chicago International Coin Fair. The meeting was called to order by President Richard Hartzog at 8:10 PM with 19 members and 13 guests present. Guests were: Helen & Art Blase, Stanley Bresticker, Shelly Gordon, Helen & Ray Jurjako, Berny Kamerens, Eileen Mongeau, Barbara Sheppard, * and Jennie Sochon. Also attending as guests were David Alexander & Courtney Coffing from COIN WORLD and Russell Rulau from WORLD COIN NEWS. The Minutes of the February Meeting and the Treasurer's Report were approved as read.

The applications of David Kress and Russell Rulau received first reading. A motion was made and passed that the CCC donate \$100 to the Building Fund of the American Numismatic Association. The Secretary announced that National Coin Week posters were available for members to distribute throughout the Chicago area. The Secretary also announced the Governor James R. Thompson has issued a Proclamation in recognition of April 19-25, 1981 as COIN WEEK in Illinios, and Mayor Jane Byrne's office is in receipt of the CCC's letter requesting the same proclamation in Chicago and is expected to issue it soon.

Exhibitors of the evening were: RICHARD HARTZOG: two engraved coins, 1. A counterfeit 1877 Trade Dollar/Love Token, 2. A 1870 French ten centimes of Napoleon III. Bill Pettit: two pre-Chicago Fire checks, 1. Paid to the order of: The Church of the Messiah, dated - May 23, 1866 and 2. Paid to the Order of: J. Barnes & Co., dated May 26, 1868. J. THOMAS NOLAN: The Maria Theresa Thaler. CARL WOLF: A copper Byzantine coin which was being ruined by the poly-vinyl-chloride-double-flip- plastic-holder. Following Mr. Wolf's exhibit a discussion followed in which many questions were asked of Mr. Russell Rulau regarding the specific problems being experienced with these polyvinyl chloride coin holders and pages.

Barbara Goldfreed introduced the Speaker of the Evening, Bill Pettit, who spoke of his trip to the Philippines in November, 1979 to attend the 50th Anniversary of the Philippines' Numismatic and Antiquarian Society.

Door Prizes were won by: Jennie Sochon, John Manus, Roy Grundy and Ray Jurjako. The one year free dues drawing was #658, Leonard Stark, who was not present to win.

(3) Madison Coin Box has been running a message on the nationwide FACTS Teletype System offering dealers a reward for providing evidence of damage caused by an M.C.B. vinyl flip. According to Hilbert, so far no takers.

minutes of April 8, 1981

The 747th meeting of the CCC was called to order by President Richard Hartzog at 8 PM with 25 members and 6 guests present. Guests for the evening were: Rudolph Bluzek, Helen Jurjako, Mr. and Mrs. Art Elase, William Nawrocki, and Helen Wickland. The minutes of the March meeting and the Treasurer's Report were approved as read.

The application of Ray Jurjako received first reading and the applications of David Press and Russell Pulau received second reading. A motion was made and passed that Mr. Press and Mr. Pulau be accepted as members. A brief report was given by the 1982 World's Fair Medal Committee and Barbara Goldfreed announced that the May program will be a open discussion giving members the opportunity to express their wants and special interests for future programs.

Proclamations issued from Governor James Thompson's Office and the Office of Mayor Jane Byrne were read. Both Proclamations called upon the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago to observe COIN WEEK the week of April 19-25. A motion was made and passed that the Secretary, Carl Wolf, be commended for his efforts in gaining these proclamations from the Governor and the Mayor.

Exhibitors were: HARRY H. BOESSEL: 1873 memorabilia from the midyear AKA convention; HARRY FLOWER: Mardi Gras token, Benny Goodman token and a Domnica twenty dollar silver proof coin; BARBARA GOLDFREED: two Morgan dollars toned on one side only as they were the first and last in a bank roll; RICHARD HARTZOG: a set of Continental restrike dollars; WILLIAM HOLM: memorabilia from the American Bicentennial; STEWART KOPPEL: twenty-five pieces of coin and currency from the Philippines; STANLEY KRUSWICKI: four 1883 Liberty Head nickels, one which was goldplated; CARL WOLF: twenty-six medals from the petroleum industry; JOEL PEZNIK: transportation and timetable tokens; DAVID SIMPSON: a Scottish five shilling; CARL WOLF: three atlases of world history; FRANK ZAYLICK: a medal from the Baltic States.

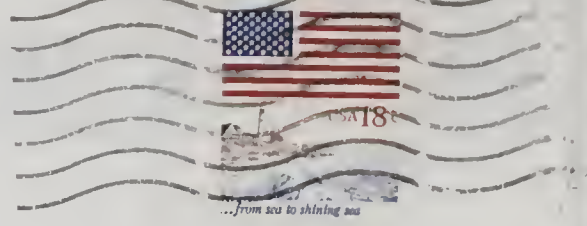
The featured speaker of the evening was Walter Perschke who addressed the club on "Forecast of the Precious Metals."

Doorprizes were won by: Richard Peterson, Harry Flower and Tillie Boesel. James Sunderland's membership number 857 was drawn in the one year free membership drawing; however, he was not present to win.

The meeting was adjourned at 10 PM.

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- 3 -- Robert A. Scheuermann
- 8 -- Al Birkholz
- 12 -- Rosalind V. Ryant
- 13 -- Dale Gartin
- 21 -- Rev. Eric C. Stumpf
- 26 -- Joseph E. Merkel
- 27 -- James Simek
- 28 -- William Dwyer

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Vol. 33 No. 6 749th MEETING 208 South LaSalle 8:00 P.M. June 10, 1981

WHAT ELSE IS NEW???

JUNE PROGRAM



ANA governor Harry X Boosel, left, had his suit for weeks before he realized the lining was covered with coins! He displays it for Ben Stack, right, and John J. Smies, director of ANA's Certification Service.

CCC's own William Nawrocki planned presentation will be on James Earl Fraser (Buffalo Nickel) and Laura Gardin Fraser (Washington $\frac{1}{4}$ reject)

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The Board of Governors voted to suspend for non-payment of dues, Eric C STUMPF, Robert A. SCHEUERMANN, & Mrs Arthur B. KELLEY on May 31st if they are still delinquent.

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In an effort to increase the social climate before meetings, the Board of Governors decided that the CHATTER publish that the meeting room opens at 7:30 P.M. Also, members who meet for dinner before, are encouraged to invite others to join them by telling the time & place for publication in the CHATTER. The Carl Wolf group starts showing up at 5:15 P.M. at the Berghoff Restaurant, 17 W. Adams, the East Bar, and go downstairs to eat @ 5:45 (west staircase).

*** CONCLUSION OF MAY MEETING MINUTES ***

BARBARA GOLDFREED: Limited edition souvenir card from the National Silver Dollar Show. JUDITH GUYTON: Franklin Mint silver medals of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence. RICHARD HARTZOG: Liquor token from a "house of ill repute" in Rockford, IL. WILLIAM HOLM: Phantasy medals of Hitler and Mussolini. WILLIAM NAWROCKI: THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF US SILVER AND GOLD COMMEMORATIVE COINS, 1892-1954 by Swiatek and Breen. BEN ODESSER: 1923 Columbus Day badge from Punxsutawey, PA. DAVID SIMPSON: Scottish 12 shilling of Charles I. BRAIN STUBBS: 2 books on African banking, one concerning the West African Currency Board and the other the Equatorial African States. CARL WOLF: "Lucky Mazuma", a paper bill thrown at the May 6, 1981 Chicago Ticker Tape Parade for the astronauts Young and Crippen.

First Vice President Barbara Goldfreed conducted an open forum allowing members to express their desires for future programs. Don Urchel, #764, was not present to win the one year free membership. Door prizes were won by David Simpson, Harry Flower and Judith Guyton.

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- 4 -- Chester Poderski
- 4 -- Uncle Sam
- 9 -- Aubrey Bebee
- 10 -- Dennis Forgue
- 13 -- Ralph Goldstone
- 13 -- Glenn Smedley
- 15 -- Philip Budd
- 17 -- David W. Ritchie
- 17 -- Freida Schnell
- 25 -- Harry Glassenberg
- 27 -- Kurt Eckstein
- 18 -- Helen A. Jurjako

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The 748th meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was called to order at 8 PM by President Richard Hartzog with members present. The Minutes of the April meeting, the April Treasurer's Report, the Minutes of the April 18th Board of Governor's Meeting and the 1980 Treasurer's Report were approved as read.

The Secretary read the Board of Governor's recommendations for changes to the Constitution and By-Laws. They are as follows:

A. Article II, Section 2B

"Wives of deceased members may continue as Associate Members..."
Change "Wives" to "Spouses".

B. Article VI, Section 4

The committee "Ladies' Activities" be changed to "Spouses' Activities"

C. Article II, Section 1

Change the minumum age requirement form fourteen (14) to the American Numismatic Association minumum age of eleven (11).

D. Due to the cost of CHATTER publication and mailing, the Non-Resident membership annual dues will be raised from \$2.50 to \$4.00 beginning in 1982.

President Richard Hartzog reported on the progress of a counter-stamped coin for the Club's 750th meeting. A motion was made and passed that the Secretary be authorized to purchase 100 identification badges for approximately \$144. The motion further stated that those seven (7) members who joined since the supply was depleted would receive a badge free; however, any new or present member who wishes a new badge will pay \$2.00. The applications of William Nawrocki, Helen Jurjako and Margaret Gobbick received first reading. Following the second reading of Ray Jurjako's application, a motion was made and passed that he be accepted into the Club. Harry X Boosel reminded members of the upcoming American Numismatic Association election and his candidacy for Governor#7. Harry Flower was appointed 1981 Annual Awards Chairman with his acceptance pending.

Exhibitors for the evening were: HARRY X BOOSEL: 5 tokens, one issued May 7, 1981 for the groundbreaking of the addition to ANA headquarters and another of German Field Marshal Von Hindenburg. HARRY FLOWER: 2 Franklin Mint medals plus a Sumerian clay tablest issued in 2103 BC.

*** CONCLUDED OTHER SIDE ***

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Vol. 33 No. 7 750th MEETING 208 South LaSalle 8:00 P.M. July 8, 1981

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MEETING

PROGRAM: Out of this world. You must attend to appreciate.

Smedley collection auction in September

The Glenn B. Smedley Collection, noted for its die Proofs, specimen notes and Illinois Obsolete Notes, will be sold at public auction Sept. 25-26 in San Antonio, Texas.

The auction, which will be held at the Broadway Plaza Hotel, will consist of up to 1,200 lots and is presented by Medlar's Inc. Rare Coins and Currency of San Antonio.

Persons interested in obtaining a free catalog should contact Bob Medlar, Medlar's, Inc. Rare Coins and Currency, 220 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, Texas 78205; or (512)226-2311 and 342-5191.

ANA BOWS TO KOPPEL

A change in the "completeness" part of the ANA exhibit rules, proposed by Stewart B. Koppel was approved as follows: "Completeness of exhibit material as it relates to the scope of the exhibit, such scope is to be determined from the title of the exhibit or other data in the first case of the exhibit."

Ed. Note: Now maybe all ANA judges will be able to see an elephant in a telephone booth.

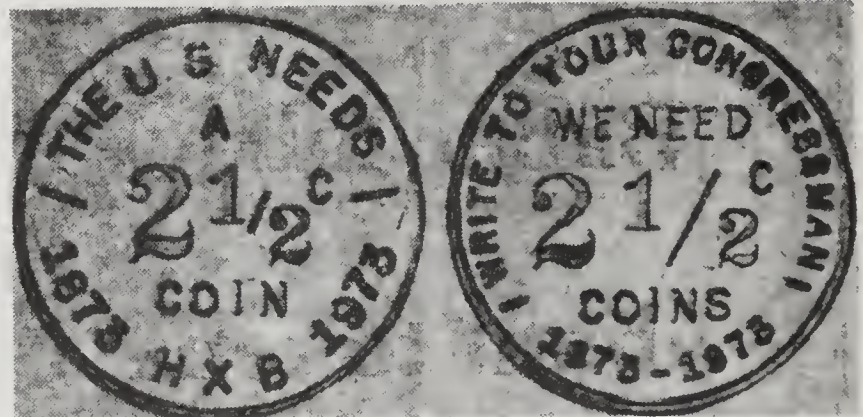
AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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| 7 - William Holm | 19 - Our Sec-Treas |
| 8 - Mrs. R.S. Yeoman | Carl F. Wolf |
| 9 - Leonard Stark | 26 - Don Doswell |
| 15 - Mr. "RED BOOK" | 31 - Clarence Wills |
| 17 - Mr. "1873" | 31 - Simeon Wilson |

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Boosel proposes 2½-cent coin



Harry X Boosel's 2½ cent coin, which he proposes should be considered to replace the current one-cent piece.

Harry X Boosel, noted numismatist and member of the American Numismatic Association board of governors, has begun a public campaign to introduce a 2½-cent coin to replace the now-existing one cent.

The push for a 2½-cent piece began in 1958, when Boosel suggested it as a supplement to

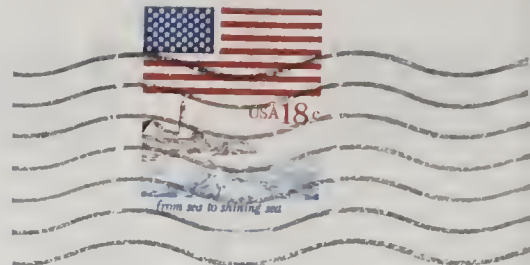
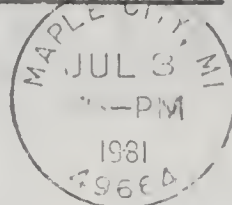
the cent coin. However, inflation has reduced the import of the cent to such a degree, Boosel suggests that it be eliminated altogether.

"A 2½-cent piece is exactly half a nickel," Boosel explains. "Whereas a two-cent coin, a dismal failure in the past, would only complicate record-keeping."

Ed. Note: Save your 2½ cent pieces Harry X because we will hold # 1873 CCC Meeting on Feb. 12, 2075. It'll be our delayed annual banquet with 2½cent Harry picking up the tab for the steak dinners and RARCOA hosting the social hour. Leah Klein will bring the walnuts. Gee, it'll also be Lincoln's Birthday.

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Prospective new member Larry Natta of Chicago, Ill. received 1st reading. Second readings were heard for William Nawrocki regular membership, Helen Jurjako associate membership and Margaret Gobbick associate membership. Motion made and seconded that they be accepted as members - motion passed.

Under old business Board of Governor's recommendations for changes to the constitution and By-Laws . . . three motions were made seconded and passed as follows:

1. Article II, section 2B
"Wives of deceased members may continue as Associate Members..."
Change "Wives" to "Spouses", and Article VI Section 4 The committee "Ladies' Activities" be changed to "Spouses' Activities".
2. Article II Section 1 change the minumum age requirement from fourteen (14) to the American Numismatic Association minumum age of eleven (11).
3. Raise the dues for Non-Resident annual membership from \$2.50 to \$4.00 beginning in 1982.

Ben Odesser informed the club membership that a past prominent member, Nathan Eglit passed away March 16, 1981. Richard Hartzog had the membership stand in a moment of silence in recognition, a notice is to be placed in the bull ton.

Richard Hartzog reported on the counterstamped coin for the Club's 750th meeting. Due to availability of coins it was decided that the Club use 1981 half dollar, a motion was made seconded and passed. The Club has one basic design for the coin done by Sol Needleman. The general concept of the coin shows 750th meeting, date and date founded Feb. 14, 1919 Chicago Coin Club and selected buildings of Chicago sky line.

Richard Hartzog informed the membership the next meeting, 750th, " We are going to have a party with all sorts of good stuff"!

Exhibitors for the evening were: Harry Flower various tokens, Katanga coins with bananas, accumulated mutilated U.S. coins. Richard Hartzog a Thomas Elder masserated currency paperweight. Harry X Boosel two postal cards 1873 and 1873 - 1973. William Holm two Liberty Cap 1830 dollars.

Recognition was given to Michael Dolnick past member and Club President who was present at the meeting.
Judith Guyton won the door prise.

The meeting was adjourned at 10 PM. and thereafter William Nawrocki was introduced, he gave a talk on James Earl Frazer.

Some Minutes of June 10, 1981

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Vol. 33 No. 8 751st MEETING 208 South LaSalle 8:00 P.M. August 12, 1981



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New Orleans, La... Longtime active CCC Member #239, Harry X (no period) Boosel, alias Mr 1873, alias 2½ cent Harry was elected an ANA Governor by the membership.

Ed. Note:

This should put to rest the snide remarks of Adna Wilde Jr. which could be interpreted to mean Harry X's, alias "The 1,911 Vote Gov.", appointment to fill a vacancy was not "kosher" or in the best interests of the ANA.

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PROGRAM FOR THE AUGUST MEETING

REPORT ON THE ANA CONVENTION

by

Barbara Goldfreed &
Richard hartzog

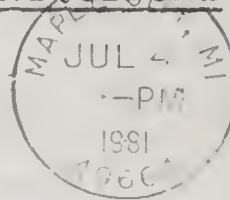
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You are cordially invited

In conjunction with "The Search for Alexander" exhibit at the Art Institute of Chicago, a seminar will be held August 6 in the Columbus Drive Auditorium. The seminar begins at 6 P.M. and is titled: MACEDONIAN COINAGE: A MARRIAGE OF ARTISTRY AND INDUSTRY. It will be led by Pierre MacKay, Professor of Classics, University of Washington, Seattle. For more information, phone the Art Institute at 443-3600 and ask for the Museum Education Department.

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- 6 -- Gerda Birkholz
- 7 -- James McMenamin
- 9 -- William Pettit
- 11 -- Leah Klein
- 16 -- Richard J. Sheppard
- 18 -- Michael M. Dolnick
- 21 -- Russell Rulau
- 22 -- D. H. Kagin
- 22 -- Florence Smedley
- 25 -- Saul Needleman
- 25 -- Don Urchel

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Minutes of July 8, 1981

The 750th meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was called to order at 8 PM by President Richard Hartzog with members and 3 guests present. Guests in attendance were: Eileen Mongeau, Darrell Prince, and Thomas Beatty. The Minutes of the June meeting and the Treasurer's Report were approved as read.

President Hartzog announced that the 750th Meeting counterstamped 1981 Half Dollars were delayed but would be available at the August meeting. A motion was made and seconded that in addition to the 1981 Half Dollar a quantity of thirty (30) 1919 Half Dollars be counterstamped and sold to members for ten dollars (\$10.00) or less. After much discussion the motion passed but with the following amendments: 1. the limit is two (2) per club member; 2. an addition supply will be ordered if necessary to meet demand up until the 753rd Meeting, October 14, 1981; 3. the Secretary keep a list of present members and give them first chance; and 4. the President have full powers to proceed as he sees fit.

The application of Darrell Prince received first reading and Larry Natta's application received second reading. A motion was made and seconded that Mr. Natta be accepted into the Club.

Exhibitors for the evening were: HARRY X BOOSEL: two (2) 1981 Proof Sets, a 1921 Morgan Dollar bolo tie and another bolo tie from the 1956 ANA Convention in Chicago; HARRY FLOWER: two (2) magic tokens and a set of seven (7) trade coins from Israel; RICHARD HARTZOG: three (3) dental tokens, of which two (2) were from the Civil War Era; WILLIAM HOLM: a silver medal; BEN ODESSER: Mackinac Island waitress tokens from Little Bob's Restaurant; DAVID SIMPSON: a hammered Scottish coin from James IV; CARL WOLF: an ancient Greek coin from the Thessalian League.

Door prizes were won by Eileen Mongeau and Tillie Boosel.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15. Refreshments followed.

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752nd MEETING

208 South LaSalle

8:00 P.M.

September 9, 1981

GOOD LUCK-LARRY



Starting with the October issue, Larry L. Natta will be your new CCC CHATTER editor. Your current editor left the Chicagoland area last April for the northern part of Michigan's lower peninsula. I understand Larry will bring real class to the CHATTER as he might have available some real type. Editoring the CHATTER was fun.

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FROM THE DESK OF OUR PRESIDENT

The 750th meeting medal is now available. They are counterstruck on 1981 half dollars. A composite scene of Chicago buildings (Pancok, Sears, etc.) and "750", with the founding date and 750th date make up the design. The initial design idea was by Saul Needleman. They are \$4.00 each by mail or \$3 each at meetings to members. Only 100 were struck, however more may be struck later depending upon demand.

A special striking of the 750th meeting medal will be made on 1919 silver half dollars (year of founding). This will be limited to two per club member. You MUST place your order for the silver strikes prior to Oct. 15, '81 as no more silver strikes will be made. Silver strikes are for CCC Members ONLY (limit 2), and are \$10 each by mail and \$9 each if picked up at a mtg.

Orders by mail for the regular issue 750th meeting medal or the special silver striking may be made to: (make checks payable to Chicago Coin Club)

Rich Hartzog
POB 4143
Rockford, IL 61110

The regular strikes are now available and will be for sale at the Sept. & Oct. meetings. The special silver strikings will be ordered on Oct. 15th & will be limited to orders received by that date. All mail orders must be prepaid. Please send check in full payment.

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12 -- Frank Zaylik
14 -- Marilyn Hartzog
14 -- Joel J. Reznick
14 -- Marcella Sheldon
16 -- Harry Flower
17 -- Margo (COIN WORLD) Russell
18 -- John Manus
19 -- Phyllis Eisenberg
19 -- Chester Michals
20 -- M. Vernon Sheldon
22 -- Martin Greene
22 -- L. S. Werner
26 -- Marjorie Baker

Minutes of August 12, 1981

The 751st meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was called to order at 8:05 PM by President Richard Hartzog with members and 5 guests present. Guests for the evening were: Gerald Anaszewicz, Thomas Beatty, Mildred Frazin, Thomas Michell and Darrell Prince. The Minutes from the July meeting and the Treasurer's Report were approved as read.

President Hartzog announced that the 750th Meeting Medals are finished and have shipped but have not arrived and the 1919 Half Dollars are still being collected and as of this date have not been counterstamped.

The applications of Gerald Anaszewicz and Thomas Michell received first reading. Darrell Prince's application for membership received second reading and he was voted into the Club.

Exhibitors for the evening were: BILL BAKER: Niagara Falls trade tokens; DR. FRAZIN: Vietnamese opium money and a box U.S. Trade Dollar; RICHARD HARTZOG: NW Dental Infirmary token and a love token bracelet; BEN ODESSER: Civil War dog tag and a AINA tour brochure; CARL WOLF: 1981 Canadian Mint Set and 2 1981 U.S. Proof Sets with fingerprints; FRANK ZAYLIK: A medal of Prince Charles and Princess Diana and 1981 ANA Convention memorabilia.

Richard Hartzog and Frank Zaylik spoke for several minutes each relating their experiences and impressions of the ANA Convention in New Orleans. Besides themselves, the following Chicago Coin Club members were in attendance: Harry X & Tillie Boosel, Barbara Goldfreed, William Nawrocki, Ben Odesser, Richard Peterson, Charles Picard, Arlie Slabaugh and Paul Whitnah.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

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"We learn by teaching."

October, 1981

New Youth Program Draws Two Junior Member Applications

A 1909-S half dollar was presented to junior member Bill Grundy at the September meeting as part of the Club's new youth program. The program, developed by Club secretary-treasurer Carl Wolf, is aimed at recruiting new junior members, and assisting them in their hobby education.

The program has already resulted in the application of two new junior members. David Wireman and Jack Simunic, both members of the Thornridge High School Coin Club, Dalton, Ill., received their first readings at the September meeting. They were accompanied to the meeting by Darrel Prince, an instructor at Thornridge High, and faculty advisor to the coin club.

Board Of Governors Meets, Plans Made For Annual Awards Banquet

The Club Board of Governors met August 29 in what was described by Club president Richard Hartzog as "one of the finest board meetings I have ever attended." Among the topics discussed were the implementation of a Club youth program, and plans for the Annual Awards Banquet, set for December 9, 1981.

The meeting took place in the home of Frank Zaylik. In attendance were four of the Club's seven governors: Richard Hartzog, Barbara Goldfreed, William Holm, and Carl Wolf.

Mr. Wolf presented to the board his ideas for a Club youth program. After a short discussion, the board authorized Mr. Wolf to spend up to \$250 on the program.

Following a review of the Club archive--long in the possession of Mr. Zaylik--the board decided to pass the responsibility of keeping the voluminous records to Mr. Hartzog. "It's a stack of boxes about eight feet tall," commented Mr. Hartzog.

Mr. Hartzog has moved the archive to his home, and is investigating the costs involved in having the archive put on microfilm. Missing from the files are records from the early years of the Club. If any member has pre-1940 Club materials, newsletters, papers, or files they would like to donate to the archive, they are invited to contact Mr. Hartzog.

In other Club business, preliminary plans were made for the Annual Awards Banquet. Harry X Boosel was appointed Banquet Chairman. Mr. Holm was named Chairman of the Awards Committee, and will be assisted by Mr. Zaylik. Mrs. Goldfreed was appointed Program Director, and was authorized by the board to spend up to \$50 to arrange for an appropriate speaker.

750th Meeting Medals Expected At The October Meeting

The long-awaited 750th meeting commemorative medals should be available at the October meeting, according to Club president Richard Hartzog. The medals, originally expected at the July meeting, have been delayed.

Produced by noted medalist Adam J. Cool of Brigantine, N.J., the medals are counterstruck on 1981 half dollars. A special striking of the medal on 1919 half dollars is also planned, but difficulties in obtaining the coins has delayed the project.

The 1981 half dollar medals are \$4 each by mail or \$3 each at the meeting. The silver strikes are \$10 each by mail or \$9 each at the meeting (limit of two per member) and must be ordered by October 15. Send check or money order to Richard Hartzog, P.O. Box 4143, Rockford, Ill., 61110.

Pearlman Lecture, Grading Seminar To Highlight October Meeting

Noted numismatic writer and WBBM radio anchor Donn Pearlman will make an audio/visual presentation at the October meeting entitled "BU or BS?". The lecture will focus on abuses of the ANA grading system as practiced by certain unscrupulous dealers. Mr. Pearlman is a Club member and winner of several Numismatic Literary Guild awards.

Also offered at the October meeting will be an informal seminar on grading Lincoln cents. The seminar is the first of a series, and has been organized at the request of Club members, many of whom are uncertain of the nuances of grading uncirculated coins.

Carl F. Wolf
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Chicago, Ill 60614

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Notes From The September Meeting

The 752nd meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. with 18 members and six guests in attendance...Guests were Gerald Anaszewicz, Thomas Beatty, Brian Heil, Thomas Mitchell, Jack Simunic, and David Wireman...Following a second reading Mr. Anaszewicz and Mr. Mitchell were approved for membership...The applications of Mr. Beatty, Mr. Heil, Mr. Simunic, and Mr. Wireman received first reading...It was announced that the Club will hold its March meeting in conjunction with the Chicago International Coin Fair. A specific date was not set...Phillip More, a past president of the Club, conducted a brief discussion of his new book "The Primitive Money of the World: Fact and Fantasy." Mr. More also donated the doorprizes for the evening, two copies of "The Great Locofoco Jugernaut," by Malcom Johnson...Exhibitors for the evening included Harry Flower with two Masada Medals; Barbara Goldfreed with a copy of a new book entitled "Fight Inflation With Silver Dollars," by Les and Sue Fox; Bill Grundy with a Naperville Sesqui-centennial medal; Roy Grundy with a medal from Grundy Center, Ia.; Richard Hartzog with a Lincoln plaque; Stewart Koppel with two 33rd anniversary coins from Israel; William Nawrocki with two medals; Carl Wolf with a restaurant token and a cent with a very small mint mark; and Frank Zaylik with 21 error cents struck off center.

Numismatist Back Issues Available

Due to a reorganization of the Club archive, several dozen back issues of The Numismatist are being offered free to Club members. If you want any of the following issues, mail your order to the Club post office box or make arrangements with Frank Zaylik.

1980 complete
1979 complete
1978 complete
1977 complete
1968 Jan. Feb. March April June Sept.
1967 complete
1966 complete except Oct. Nov. Dec.
1965 complete except Jan.
1964 complete except April May
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November Birthdays...

Stewart Koppel (4th) Richard Hartzog (4th)
Richard Peterson (7th) Robert L. Gartenberg
(8th) Tom Ryan (9th) Hugh Knight (16th) Margaret Gobbick (18th) William Baker (22nd) Jeffrey Bernberg (24th).

The Chicago Coin Club Chatter is published monthly by the Chicago Coin Club, P.O. Box 2301, Chicago, Ill., 60698. Richard Hartzog, president; Carl Wolf, secretary-treasurer; Larry Natta, newsletter editor. The Club meets at 7:30 p.m., the second Wednesday of every month at 208 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill., 15th floor. Yearly Club dues are \$5.00 for adults, \$4.50 for non-resident members, and \$2.50 for junior members.

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Como Inn Restaurant To Host Annual Awards Banquet

The Napoli Room of the Como Inn restaurant will be the site of the 1981 Annual Awards Banquet, scheduled for Wednesday, December 9, in place of the regular December meeting.

The restaurant, located at 546 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, was the site of last year's gala. Cocktails will be served at 7:00 p.m., and dinner will begin at 8:00.

The cost of the dinner will be \$12.25 per person, not including cocktails. Advance payment is due at the November meeting, or may be mailed no later than November 11 to Banquet Cochairperson Harry X Boosel, P.O. Box 51932, Northtown Station, Chicago, Ill. 60659.

Among the awards to be presented are exhibitor awards for all Club members who have exhibited material at regular meetings, three Richard McP. Cabeen awards for best exhibits, and the prestigious Medal of Merit Award for outstanding service to the Club.

Cochairpersons for the event are Harry X and Tillie Boosel.

Russian Coppers, Cent Grading To Highlight November Meeting

A slide presentation on the copper coinage of Russia from 1533 to 1917, and a seminar on the grading of Lincoln cents will round out the program at the November meeting. The 25-slide presentation on Russian coppers has been furnished by the ANA. The seminar will be conducted by Club member Stewart Koppel.

The meeting will take place November 11 at 8:00 p.m. A pre-meeting get-together is scheduled for 5:15 p.m. at Burghoff's restaurant, 17 W. Adams.

Medal Marks 750th Meeting



Counterstamped on a 1981 half dollar, the Club's newest medal commemorates the 750th meeting, which took place in July. A total of 100 of the medals were struck.

Dishonest Dealer Practices Told In Pearlman Lecture

"The vast majority of coin dealers are honest merchants," Donn Pearlman told the Club at the October meeting. But his presentation, entitled "BU or BS? How To Be A Responsible Mail Order Customer," focused on the small minority who are not.

Mr. Pearlman's presentation detailed the "tricks of the trade" employed by dishonest coin dealers, including the use of deceptive advertising, outright fraud, and the sale of "whizzed" coins and "sliders."

He cautioned Club members to be suspicious of advertisements offering coins below wholesale prices. "If it looks too good to be true, it probably is," he said.

Mr. Pearlman outlined several steps collectors can take to protect themselves from fraud. Among them was the suggestion to deal only with members of recognized industry associations.

Groundwork Now Being Laid For Commemorative Coin To Mark Planned 1992 Chicago World's Fair

By Donn Pearlman, NLG

While members of the U.S. Congress consider proposals for a 1982 George Washington commemorative coin, and a series of suggested 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games commemoratives, the groundwork is being started locally for a 1992 Chicago World's Fair coin.

The 42 prominent members of the non-profit Chicago World's Fair—1992 Corporation submitted a 700 page proposal to the U.S. Commerce Department in August detailing plans for conducting the Fair at what is now the area around Meigs Field, near McCormick Place, from mid-April to mid-October, 1992.

Theme of the Fair would be "The Age of Discovery," marking the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the Americas by Columbus, and the 100th year since the Chicago Columbian Exposition of 1892-93.

As most collectors of U.S. coins quickly realize, this country's first commemorative coins were issued in conjunction with the Columbian Exposition: the Isabella quarter and the Columbian half dollar.

Both of these souvenir coin types were sold at one dollar each to help defray costs of conducting the Exposition. The Isabella quarter was not as popular as the Columbian halves; after all, why pay a dollar for a quarter when you can buy a half dollar for the same price!

Many of the 24,214 Isabella quarters struck were melted because they could not be sold. There were 2.5 million commemorative half dollars struck, many pieces actually winding up in circulation.

These coins started a tradition of commemorative coinage that continued until 1954—and re-emerged for the Bicentennial issues.

The Reagan Administration has opened new possibilities for resumption of commemorative coinage begin-

ning with the proposed Washington coin next year, and some type of 1984 Olympic issues to raise revenue for the Los Angeles games.

In May of this year, I approached one of the members of the Chicago World's Fair—1992 Corp. about the potential of a commem for that event. It was easy to do—this particular member, William C. O'Donnell, is vice president of WBBM—CBS Radio. He's my boss!

He was also very excited about the idea. My written proposal included an XF example of an 1892 Columbian half dollar.

O'Donnell discussed the proposed 1992 commemorative with fellow corporation member Frank W.



America's first commemorative coin, the Columbian half dollar, helped raise funds for the 1892-93 Chicago World's Fair. A similar coin for the 1992 Chicago World's Fair could raise as much as \$20 million.

Considine, president and chief executive officer of National Can Corp. He, too, was delighted with the idea.

In late August, just after the World's Fair members submitted their three-volume proposal to the Commerce Department, I briefly discussed the 1992 coin concept with Thomas G. Ayers, president of the Fair Corporation and chairman of the executive committee of Commonwealth Edison Corp.

The planners of the 1992 Fair believe that a total of 55 million visitors will pass through the gates during the six months the Fair will be open to the public (some of that 55 million figure will represent repeat visitors). Surely, some of the people will want to purchase a souvenir coin.

Let's say the coins are sold for ten dollars above cost each. If only one million are sold, that brings in 10 million dollars in revenues. If two million are sold, it results in 20 million dollars in revenue.

Mr. Pearlman is a Club member and, among other things, numismatic columnist for The Collector-Investor magazine. He is winner of several Numismatic Literary Guild awards. The information contained in this article has not heretofore been made public.

There are more than 10 million coin collectors in the United States today, according to various estimates made by the numismatic industry. If only 20 percent of them chose to buy one of these commemorative coins, a substantial amount of funds could be raised to help offset the cost of the exposition.

Of course, no one can accurately predict how many there will be eleven years from now, but a sale of one to two million coins does not seem overly conservative.

Following the brief conversation with Ayers, a follow-up letter was sent detailing the proposals for a 1992 commemorative. Included with the letter was another high-grade circulated example of the 1892 Columbian half dollar—graciously supplied by Bob Greenstein, assistant manager of the Stamp & Coin Department at Carson, Pirie, Scot & Co.

A commemorative coin marking the 100th anniversary of this nation's first commemorative, the 100th anniversary of the Columbian Exposition, and the 500th anniversary of the voyage of Columbus, seems a logical and practical way to raise revenue for the 1992 Chicago World's Fair.

Aside from the U.S. Mint's backing of a commemorative issue in the next few years, Chicago is fortunate to have Congressman Frank Annunzio as chairman of the House Subcommittee on Coinage & Historic Preservation. He is also very much in favor of resuming commem issues.

And, there's another significant development down the road. While nothing definite has been decided, it seems very likely the 1991 American Numismatic Association convention will be held in Chicago to mark the 100th meeting of the organization. Meeting number one, in 1891, was held in Chicago.

Perhaps the design for the 1992 commem can be unveiled at that ANA convention; or orders for the new coins can be taken starting at that time; or some other promotional event can be scheduled to tie in with the next year's World's Fair and the exciting new commemorative coin for 1992.

There is still much work to be done on even getting a World's Fair in Chicago. After the Commerce Department approves the idea, plans must be considered by the International Bureau of Expositions in Paris. The Bureau has the final say in the matter—without their OK, the event would not have World's Fair status.

But if there is an exposition in Chicago 11 years from now, at this point the chances of having a commemorative coin for the event seem more than just "Fair."

Chatter Box

The Club's youth program, and the program's sponsor Carl Wolf got a nice write-up on the editorial page of Coin World's October 10th issue. The editorial referred to the Club as "the cradle of the great" and urged other coin clubs to make efforts to involve more young people in the hobby.

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The Club extends its special thanks to Ed Milas of RARCOA for a contribution of 16 Red Books for use in the youth program. Red Books were presented to three junior members at the October meeting. All new junior members will be given a complimentary copy of the popular reference.

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The deadline for ordering the 750th meeting commemorative medals counterstruck on 1919 half dollars was October 15. Richard Hartzog reports that a total of 68 of the special silver strikes were ordered, and about 91 of the 1981 half dollar counterstrikes were purchased. The silver strikes should be delivered in time for the December meeting.

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A moment of silence was observed at the October meeting in memory of Earl Barger, who passed away at the age of 90 in his home at Richland Center, Wisc. Mr. Barger was a past president of the Club and a long-time active member. He moved to Wisconsin in 1967.

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Refreshments at the October meeting were donated by Charles F. Wolf in memory of his late wife Doris Jean Wolf, who passed away on October 12 of last year.

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A total of 34 members and guests were in attendance at the October meeting, the largest turnout in recent memory. If the trend continues, the Club may have to find a larger meeting place.



RARCOA's Spectacular 1795 Mint Set Asking Price: One Million Dollars

The quest began 17 years ago with the acquisition of the finest-known example of a Type I 1795 silver dollar. It ended last year at the Garret II auction when the gavel went down on a Type II dollar of the same year and quality. The completed 1795 mint set, now in the possession of Chicago's RARCOA, carries an asking price of \$1 million.

The set consists of 11 pieces: two varieties of half-cents, two varieties of cents, a half-dime, a half-dollar, two types of dollars, two types of five-dollar gold pieces, and a ten-dollar gold piece. It is considered to be the finest known 1795 mint set.

In an article in a recent issue of CoinAge magazine, Club member William Nawrocki describes the set like this: "The surface qualities of the coins are stupendous, the strikes magnificent, and the luster is gold with age. From the state of preservation, I would guess the specimens were presentation pieces, as the strike and centering of each is outstanding."

According to RARCOA president Edward Milas, the

pieces range in grade from MS-62 to MS-67. "The two dollars and the half-dollar are unquestionably the finest, and the half-dime is literally a proof," he says.

Aside from its asthetic qualities, the set represents



The 1795 ten-dollar gold piece was America's first "eagle." This example is similar to the one included in RARCOA's mint set.

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Notes From The October Meeting

The 753rd meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by president Richard Hartzog with 26 members and eight guests present. Guests for the evening were Lee Broset, Joyce Fuqua, Steffan Goldfreed, Pat Knauz, Joseph O'Connor, Jack Simunic, David Wiott, and David Wireman. . . The minutes of the September meeting and the Treasurer's report were read and approved. . . Harry X Boosel reported on the Annual Awards Banquet at the Como Inn, 546 N. Milwaukee Ave., and asked that it be recorded that he and Tillie are Cochairpersons. The banquet will be held December 9, and Mr. Boosel was asked to reconsider the cost of \$12.25 per person and ask the Como Inn for special rates for junior members, or consider raising the adult cost to \$15 to subsidize the cost to our junior members. . . Frank Zaylik spoke in favor of a Club auction. Since the Club's program is filled for the upcoming months, the membership decided that an auction would be appropriate after the February meet-

a landmark year in the history of American coinage. The Philadelphia mint began production in 1792, but it was not until 1795 that the first gold coins were struck.

ing. . .With the arrival of the 750th meeting medals, a motion was made tand passed that two of the medals counterstruck on 1919 half-dollars should be set aside in the Club archive. . .The following applications received a second reading: Thomas Beatty, Jack Simunic, David Wireman, and Brian Heil. Separate motions were made and passed that they be accepted into the Club. Four applications received first reading: David Wiott, Joseph O'Connor, Joyce Fuqua, and Leoma Broset.

December Birthdays. . .

Albert F. Ivan (6th) A.H. Meyer (6th) Brian C. Stubbs (7th) Howard Eisenberg (9th) Phillip More (11th) Anne Urchel (11th) Judith E. Guyton (12th) William Grundy (14th) Louis Nagy (18th) Clyde Grimm (19th) Frank Oleicki (21st) Edward Milas (23rd) Irv Harris (27th) Ben Odeser (27th) Harold Klein (31st).

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A Letter To The ANA

October 19, 1981

American Numismatic Assoc.
P.O. Box 2366
Colorado Springs, Col.

Dear Fellow Numismatists:

In the 1960's and 1970's the great central city coin clubs lost many members with the exodus to the suburbs. The Chicago Coin Club--the bastion of many a great numismatist such as J. Henri Ripstra, Harry X Boosel, Lew Hewitt and the ANA's Glenn Smedley, to name just a few--was also the victim of this exodus.

Through the efforts of its members, the Chicago Coin Club has embarked upon a major rebuilding process. New programs have been designed to bring back the inactive member, and recruit new members. At our October meeting, the attendance reached a new five-year high; four new members were added, and an additional four applied for membership. Our junior member program, which holds good promise, has already drawn five members.

Even with this rebuilding program and our limited resources, the Chicago Coin Club would like to take this time to compliment the American Numismatic Association for all the great projects it has directed over the years by presenting the enclosed check for one hundred dollars, toward the building fund. Our only regret is that we are unable to make a larger contribution.

Sincerely,
Carl F. Wolf
Secretary/Treasurer

Magician To Highlight Club's Annual Awards Banquet

Magician Len Karrion will provide the entertainment at the Club's 1981 Annual Awards Banquet, set for December 9 at the Como Inn restaurant. Mr. Karrion's exhibition will include many "coin tricks" as well as numerous other feats of prestidigitation.

Thus far about 35 members and guests have reserved places at the banquet, and a total of more than 50 is expected. The cost of the dinner will be \$12.25 per person for adults. Junior members will be charged only \$5.00 each, and the remainder of the fee will be provided through contributions by members, or from the Club treasury. Any member unable to secure transportation to the banquet is invited to take a taxi at the Club's expense. Taxi receipts should be submitted to the secretary-treasurer.

The event will begin at 7:00 p.m. with cocktails. The bar tab "within reasonable limits" will be picked up by Edward Milas of RARCOA. Dinner will begin at 8:00 p.m. The menu will consist of a pasta dish, roast beef, chicken, and sausage, served family style.

Among the awards to be presented are exhibitor awards for all Club members who have exhibited material at regular meetings, and three Richard McP. Cabeen awards for best exhibits. Also to be presented this year is the prestigious Medal of Merit Award for outstanding service to the Club. The award was not made last year for lack of a qualified candidate.

The Como Inn restaurant is located at 546 N Milwaukee Ave., Chicago.

BEST WISHES FOR

THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Boosel Program Sends Juniors On Hunt For "First" 1982 Cent

The Club's junior members will be searching through their pocket change in the next few months in hopes of finding a 1982 cent. The first two junior members who come up with the elusive item will be awarded a mint set made up of obsolete 19th and 20th century coins. The sets, with coins ranging in grade from very good to very fine, were contributed by Harry X Boosel.

In case of a tie, a drawing will be held to determine the winner

Notes From The November Meeting

The 754th meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was called to order at 8:05 p.m. with 22 members and four guests present. The guests for the evening were: Debby Barber, Lee Broset, Joyce Fuqua, and William Steward. The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved. . . After president Hartzog's report on the latest progress of the 750th meeting counterstamped half-dollars, the following motions were made: that two of the counterstamped halves be placed in the Club archive; that the Club ask Adam Cool to cancel the 750th meeting medal die, and send proof; and that the Club award Saul Needleman with a plaque in appreciation of his work on the design of the die. . . Following Harry X Boosel's Annual Banquet Report, the following motions were made and passed: that the banquet cost to the junior members and applicants be reduced to \$5.00; that the remaining cost will be paid through donations by members, and by the Club treasury. . . The applications for membership of Leoma Broset, Joyce Fuqua, Joseph O'Connor, and David Wiott received second reading. Separate motions were made and passed that they be accepted into the Club. The secretary read several letters of correspondence with Edward Rochett, executive vice president of the Amercian Numismatic Association...Exhibitors for the evening were Harry X Boosel with a silver dollar with a wiping rag mark; Harry Flower with several pieces of Russian wire money, and various other foreign coins; Joyce Fuqua with a 1948 Roosevelt dime and a 1976 cent encased, from New Salem, Ill.; Barbara Goldfreed with two medals from the Salt Lake City Numismatic Society and a copy of Harry X Boosel's book "1873."; Bill Grundy with a 1909 VDB cent that had been whizzed; Richard Hartzog with a saloon token from Effingham, Ill.; Stewart Koppel with four reference books on world coins; Stan Kruswicki with several Canadian Bank notes; Ben Odesser with eight unusual tokens he could not identify; David Simpson with a Scottish silver penny of Alexander III; David Wireman with a set of coins from Israel; Carl Wolf with several Russian coins; and Frank Zaylik with gold coins of Russia. . . The winner of the junior exhibit drawing was Bill Grundy. . . The program for the evening was an ANA slide show on the copper coinage of Russia.



Exhibitors for the October meeting were: Harry X Boosel with three 1873 box coins; Harry Flower with

various medals and items with the Great Seal of the U.S.; Barbara Goldfreed with a 1921-D Morgan Dollar, and the "Van Allen-Mallis Encyclopedia" of Morgan Dollars; Judith Guyton with a Century of Progress medal; Bill Grundy with a medal of Herbert Hoover; Richard Hartzog with "good for" tokens and an advertising mirror token from Freeport, Ill.; Jack Simunic with a commemorative medal from the Apollo XI mission; David Wireman with a 1959 commemorative from Israel; Carl Wolf with an ancient Greek coin from the city of Corinth, and the book "Masterpieces of Greek Coins"; Charles Wolf with a letter in reply to a Coin World article on his Civil War dog tag.

Chicago poet Carl Sandburg took his inspiration from the city, the people, and the prairie; and also, it seems, from his pocket change. The following selection was taken from Chicago Poems, a collection first published in 1917. We always knew there was poetry in coins.

A Coin

Your western heads here cast on money,
You are the two that fade away together,
Partners in the mist.

Lunging buffalo shoulder,
Lean Indian face,
We who come after where you are gone
Salute your forms on the new nickel.

You are
To us:
The past.

Runners
On the prairie:
Good-by.

January Birthdays. . .

Thomas Beatty (1st) Agostino G Corona, Sr.
(4th) Ray D Jurako (19th) Paul R Whitnah (21st)
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